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Security Council

3 p.m.

Consultations of
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Briefing by the Secretary-General

Other matters

General Assembly Sixty-fifth session

10 a.m.

87th plenary meeting

General
Assembly
Hall

Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: Special commemorative meeting in observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe [69 (c)]

Special ceremony

A ceremony of the ringing of the Peace Bell, to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe, will take place *today*, 26 April 2011, at 9:30 a.m.

Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Istanbul, Turkey, 9–13 May 2011

Inscriptions for the plenary meetings

Delegations are kindly invited to inscribe for the plenary meetings with the List of Speakers of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org). For further information, see pages 13 to 15.

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General Assembly Sixty-fifth session

The 3rd meeting (closed) of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly will be held on Thursday, 28 April 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the Co-Chairs, dated 19 April 2011, was sent to all permanent representatives.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)
3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)
Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 9th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)
1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2011/L.4, E/2011/L.5, E/2011/L.6, E/2011/L.7 and E/2011/L.8) [2]
Action on draft proposals
2. Basic programme of work of the Council (E/2011/76) [3]
Introduction of the report and general discussion

General Assembly

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, today, 26 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board Briefing

The Executive Board of UNICEF will hold an informal briefing, in preparation for the 2011 annual session, today, 26 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB), on "The thematic discussion on results and lessons learned in focus area 4 of the medium-term strategic plan: Child protection from violence, exploitation and abuse". All interested members and observers delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 26 April 2011

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Strengthening the role of mediation in peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 33 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

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Group of 77 (on the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the Committee on Information)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Youth)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B (NLB)

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5 (NLB)

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Tuesday, 26 April 2011**UNITAR orientation course for new members of permanent missions on the work of the United Nations**

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For queries related to registration, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or Mr. François Richard, UNITAR (e-mail francois.richard@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Twentieth International Conference on Health and Environment: Global Partners for Global Solutions (on the theme "Nuclear energy: History revisited") (on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and World Information Transfer)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit <www.worldinfo.org>.]

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 26 April 2011**Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium**

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Security Council stakeout

4.30 p.m. H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The first round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in April 2011, in Conference Room D (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Today, 26 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Arabic

Today, 26 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: Chinese

Wednesday, 27 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: English

Wednesday, 27 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: French

Thursday, 28 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Russian

Thursday, 28 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: Spanish

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The second part of the resumed session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session will begin on Monday, 2 May 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The status of preparedness of documentation will be issued in document A/C.5/65/L.30.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, as well as the programme of work, is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

General Assembly

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, as follows:

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 7 (NLB)*; and from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building)*;

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 7 (NLB)*; and

Friday, 29 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the *Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)*.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) will hold informal consultations on the strategic plan, on Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 4 (NLB)*.

Committee on Information

Thirty-third session

The thirty-third session of the Committee on Information will take place from Wednesday, 27 April, to Friday, 6 May 2011, in *Conference Room 1 (NLB)*. The Committee will hold its general debate from 27 to 29 April. Delegates wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail committeeoninformation@un.org).

Interactive dialogue

An interactive dialogue between the Department of Public Information and the delegations attending the thirty-third session of the Committee on Information will take place on Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 1 (NLB)*.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-first session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-first session at Headquarters from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2011.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 20 May 2011*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 of the Assembly. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2011

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Wednesday, 27, and Thursday, 28 April 2011. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2011/2/Add.1 and E/2011/2/Add.1/Corr.1.

The Bureau of the Council established the deadline for submission of candidates. Correspondence should be addressed to the Secretary-General, with a copy to Ms. Radhika Padayachi, Economic and Social Council Affairs Branch (e-mail: padayachi39@un.org).

A list of candidates for these elections, as well as supporting documentation, is available on the Web site of the Council at the following address:
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/meetings/election2011.shtml>.

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of any additional candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

Annual ministerial review global preparatory meeting

The Economic and Social Council will convene a global preparatory meeting for the annual ministerial review (AMR) of the 2011 substantive session high-level segment on Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Lazarous Kapambwe (Zambia). The Council will hear reports on the outcome of AMR regional preparatory meetings held in Africa, Asia and the Pacific and Western Asia, as well as a presentation by Ms. Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Visiting Professor, The New School University, and member of the United Nations Committee for Development Policy. The Council will also hear reports on the outcome of the AMR Facebook e-discussion on "Building a future for today's youth: Improving access to education", by Ms. Rekha Datta, Director, Institute for Global Understanding, Monmouth University; and on the United Nations Development Group's MDGNet forum e-discussion on "Quality in education and learning", by Mr. Nicholas Alipui, Director of Programmes, United Nations Children's Fund.

A panel discussion will also take place on "Removing barriers to education: What's new and notable". Panellists will include Mr. Zhou Manzhong, Deputy Director-General, National Centre for Education and Development Research of China; Ms. Maria do Pilar Lacerda, National Basic Education Secretary, Ministry of Education of Brazil; Ms. Gladys Bertha Modise, Director, Provincial Budget and Monitoring, Ministry of Education of South Africa; Dr. Ellen Karoline Henriksen, Associate Professor, University of Oslo, Norway; and Ms. Kara Nichols, Executive Director, Connect to Learn.

For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268).

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-first session

Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-first session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 28 April 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB), for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2011/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2011/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2011/L.2).

Further information on the Committee for Programme and Coordination is available at www.un.org/en/ga/cpc/.

Commission on Sustainable Development

Nineteenth session

The Commission on Sustainable Development will hold its nineteenth session from Monday, 2, to Friday, 13 May 2011, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.17/2011/1.

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Vivian Pliner (e-mail pliner@un.org; room IN-0628B; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation, *by Wednesday, 27 April*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 (NLB) on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/61, the nineteenth session of the Commission will include a high-level segment, which is scheduled from Wednesday, 11, to Friday, 13 May 2011. There will be parallel interactive round tables on Thursday, 12 May, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on "Developing programmes and a framework to accelerate the shift towards sustainable consumption and production" and "Enhancing access to sustainable urban and rural transport"; and from 3 to 6 p.m., on "Moving towards zero waste and sound management of chemicals" and "Creating an enabling environment for sustainable mining". Delegations are invited to communicate, *in writing*, to the Secretary of the Commission, the round tables in which they wish to participate.

In preparation for the Commission's session, delegations are invited to review the updated draft organization of work, documentation and other activities, as well as

other related background information, available on the following Web site:
<www.un.org/esa/dsd/csd/csd_csd19.shtml>.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Briefing

There will be a briefing on the tenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, on Friday, 29 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The meeting is open to members of permanent missions only. To register, please contact Ms. Sarah Webster, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail websters@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5161).

Tenth session

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will hold its tenth session from Monday, 16, to Friday, 27 May 2011. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2011/1 and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2011/L.1.

Member States of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-0613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Only those observers who indicate their participation by *Wednesday, 11 May*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The list of speakers will be opened *today*, 26 April, at 9.30 a.m. Member States of the United Nations, United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Ms. Juliana Darwiche (e-mail darwiche@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1201; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

For background and other related documents of the tenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/indigenous>.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Briefings

The Executive Board of UNICEF will hold informal briefings in preparation for the 2011 annual session, as indicated below. All interested members and observers delegations are invited to attend.

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the annual report of the Executive Director on progress and achievements in 2010; and

Tuesday, 24 May 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB): on the report on progress of gender equality work in UNICEF.

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing will be held on Tuesday, 7 June 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, of the United Nations Population Fund and of the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2011

The annual session 2011 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 6, to Friday, 17 June 2011, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2011/L.2. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations, attending the session are requested to convey their credentials to the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but *no later than Monday, 30 May 2011*. The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the annual session of the Board, on Monday, 23 May, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

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African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

United Nations Development Programme (briefing on the Strategy of Response to Transformative Change Championed by Youth in the Arab Region) [open to interested delegations]

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Latin American and Caribbean Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (meeting with the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)) [Member States are encouraged to participate at the ambassadorial level as well as at the expert level.]

Friday, 29 April 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

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Twentieth International Conference on Health and Environment: Global Partners for Global Solutions (on the theme "Nuclear energy: History revisited") (on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Chernobyl catastrophe) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and World Information Transfer)

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit <www.worldinfo.org>.]

Briefing on "OCHA's role in civil-military coordination: Guidelines and lessons learned", by the Senior Civil-Military Coordination Advisor, Civil-military Coordination Section, OCHA (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to members of permanent missions and observers missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Corazon dela Pena, OCHA (e-mail penac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 357-2998).]

Informal briefing on "The independent report of the Senior Advisory Group on 'Civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict' (A/65/747), and its follow-up by the Secretary-General" (presentations by the Under-Secretary-General for Field Support and the Chair of the Senior Advisory Group) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Indonesia)

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Fabiola Stevens, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail fabiola.stevens@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1153).]

Briefing on "Migration and youth: Overcoming health challenges" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the MacArthur Foundation, and in cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO))

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For additional queries regarding the briefing, please contact Mr. Pierpaolo Capalbo (e-mail pierpaolo.capalbo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

UNU Midday Forum on "Global trends as a challenge for global governance" (organized by the United Nations University Office in New York (UNU-ONY))

Friday, 29 April 2011, from 9 to 10.15 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Portia Gama, United Nations University (e-mail unuony@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-4381).]

Informal interactive workshop on "Keeping the green economy blue" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Australia and the Pew Environment Group)

Friday, 29 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sue Robertson, Permanent Mission of Australia (e-mail sue.robertson@dfat.gov.au; tel. 1 (212) 351-6623); or Ms. Joan Yang, Pew Environment Group (tel. 1 (212) 365-4297).]

Presentation of the suggestions of the informal group of like-minded States on targeted sanctions on "Improving fair and clear procedures for a more effective United Nations sanctions system" (in view of the renewal of the Security Council's Al-Qaida and Taliban sanctions regime) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Friday, 6 May 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[Member States are encouraged to attend at the ambassadorial level as well as at the expert level. Registration is required by *Friday, 29 April*, by e-mail (nyc.rsvp@eda.admin.ch); or by fax (1 (212) 286-1555). For further information, please contact Ms. Barbara Anna Gonzenbach, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail barbara.gonzenbach@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (212) 286-1540, ext. 1129).]

UNITAR Seminar on United Nations operational activities for development

Wednesday, 25 May 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit www.unitar.org/event/seminar-United-Nations-operational-activities-development. For further information, please contact Mr. Olivier Portoff, UNITAR (e-mail olivier.portoff@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names**Twenty-sixth session****United Nations Office at Vienna**

The twenty-sixth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held from Monday, 2, to Friday, 6 May 2011, at United Nations Office at Vienna. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GEGN/26/1. Further information on the session can be found at the following address:
<<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/default.html>>.

List of participants

Members of the Group of Experts, as well as observers, who will attend the session and wish to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by means of a note verbale on official letterhead to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Timur Alasaniya (c/o Ms. Sophie Aloë (e-mail aloe@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; room IN-0609; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries**Istanbul, Turkey, 9–13 May 2011**

The Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries will be held from Monday, 9, to Friday, 13 May 2011, in a compound consisting of the Lutfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre, the Istanbul Congress Centre, the Harbiye Cultural Centre and the Hilton Congress and Convention Centre, in Istanbul (Turkey).

It would include plenary meetings, a committee of the whole, high-level interactive thematic debates at the ministerial level for policy dialogue on key priority issues and parallel tracks for parliamentarians, civil society and the private sector and side events.

Plenary meetings

The formal opening of the Conference will take place on Monday, 9 May 2011, at 9 a.m. All plenary meetings will be held in the Anadolu Auditorium.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings is open. Inscriptions shall be on a first-come, first-served basis, and will be rearranged in accordance with the established practice of the General Assembly. Delegations are reminded that interventions in the plenary meetings *should be limited to 10 minutes for Member States and 8 minutes for other participants*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts.

Delegations are kindly invited to inscribe on the list of speakers by e-mail (heddachem@un.org). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

High-level interactive thematic debates

The Conference will include six high-level interactive thematic debates as follows:

Thematic debate 1: Enhancing productive capacities and the role of the private sector in least developed countries (Monday, 9 May, from 3 to 6 p.m.);

Thematic debate 2: Resource mobilization for least developed countries' development and global partnership (Tuesday, 10 May, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.);

Thematic debate 3: Harnessing trade for least developed countries' development and transformation (Tuesday, 10 May, from 3 to 6 p.m.);

Thematic debate 4: Good governance at all levels (Wednesday, 11 May, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.);

Thematic debate 5: Reducing vulnerabilities, responding to emerging challenges and enhancing food security in least developed countries (Wednesday, 11 May, from 3 to 6 p.m.); and

Thematic debate 6: Human and social development, gender equality and empowerment of women (Thursday, 12 May, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

Each high-level interactive thematic debate will be open to participation of representatives of all Member States; representatives of entities with observer status in the General Assembly, relevant entities of the United Nations system and other accredited intergovernmental organizations; and representatives of accredited civil society organizations and business sector entities. No list of speakers will be established.

All delegations wishing to participate in the high-level interactive thematic debates are kindly requested to inscribe by e-mail with Ms. Radhika Padayachi (padayachi39@un.org) (copied to Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org)), indicating the name and the level of the participant.

Credentials of representatives

The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, who is the Secretary-General of the Conference, if possible not less than two weeks before the date fixed for the opening of the Conference. Any later change in the composition of delegations shall also be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference. All credentials should also be copied to the Protocol and Liaison Service in New York (fax 1 (212) 963-1921), before Wednesday, 27 April 2011. After that date, credentials should be submitted by delegations attending the Conference to the Protocol Accreditation Unit in Istanbul (fax +90 212 296 3666).

Composition of delegations

For the plenary meetings, each delegation will be assigned four seats. Specifically identified seating will be available for other participants in the Conference. In the committee rooms, each delegation will have one seat.

Delegations will be seated in English alphabetical order.

The United Nations Protocol Office in Istanbul will publish a list of participants to the Conference. Permanent missions, permanent observer missions, intergovernmental organizations and specialized agencies are requested to submit a comprehensive list of their respective delegations to the Conference, with functional titles and designations of

all the delegates, to the Protocol and Liaison Service in New York (fax 1 (212) 963-1921), before Wednesday, 27 April 2011, and to the Protocol Accreditation Unit in Istanbul (fax +90 212 296 3666), as of Thursday, 28 April 2011. If a comprehensive list is not received before Friday, 6 May 2011, the Protocol Office in Istanbul will use the information contained in the accreditation request received.

Further information can be found in the information note (A/CONF.219/INF/1) and on the Conference Web site <www.un.org/wcm/content/site/ldc/home>.

Training for members of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for members of permanent missions, to be held in Room DC2-1142, as indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or telephone (1 (212) 963-5321). All classes will take place from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Introduction to United Nations documents

In Spanish: Today, 26 April 2011

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2011 Fellowship Programme is Friday, 29 April 2011. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, Palais des Nations (Room C-111) – 1211 Geneva 10 – Switzerland.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version, the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by Saturday, 30 April 2011, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session. Kindly send the electronic version simultaneously to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 65/46, paras. 2 and 3 (A/RES/65/46), entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/21-2011/CAC dated 9 March 2011);

Resolution 65/52, paras. 6 and 7 (A/RES/65/52), entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/03-2011/D&D dated 31 March 2011);

Resolution 65/63, paras. 2, 4 and 5 (A/RES/65/63), entitled "Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/08-2011/ICBM dated 25 March 2011)

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction

Delegations are reminded that pursuant to General Assembly resolution 65/33 of 6 December 2010 (A/RES/65/33) information and observations of Member States on the scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction, and of relevant observers as appropriate, should be submitted to the Secretary-General *by Saturday, 30 April 2011*.

Delegations may deliver their comments to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (room M-13065; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). In addition, it would be appreciated if an electronic version of the comments could also be sent to the following e-mail address: kosalvitru@un.org.

Reporting of military expenditures

A note verbale concerning the United Nations Standardized Instrument for Reporting Military Expenditures (ODA/10-2009/OIMM) was issued on 3 March 2011, inviting Member States to report *by Saturday, 30 April* their national military expenditures for the latest fiscal year for which data are available. It would be preferable to use the standardized reporting form or its simplified version, which were annexed to the above-mentioned note verbale, or, as appropriate, any other format developed for this purpose. Member States are also encouraged to submit a "nil" return, if appropriate. For further information, please contact Mr. Yuriy Kryvonos, Political Affairs Officer, Conventional Arms Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail kryvonos@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-1096; fax 1 (212) 963-3689).

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address:
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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

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The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at
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Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council
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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 8 December 2005

Accession: Singapore (25 April 2011)¹

¹Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

***Multilateral Agreement for the Establishment of an International Think Tank for
Landlocked Developing Countries. New York, 24 September 2010***

Signature: Mongolia (25 April 2011)

***Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing
of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity
(Nagoya, 29 October 2010)***

***Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to
the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Nagoya, 15 October 2010)***

Signature Ceremony Event

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Nagoya Protocol) and the Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Supplementary Protocol) opened for signature on 2 February 2011 and 7 March 2011, respectively, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

On Wednesday, 11 May 2011, during the high-level segment of the nineteenth session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development, another signature ceremony of the Nagoya Protocol and the Supplementary Protocol will be organized by the Treaty Section, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Certified true copies of the Protocols, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, which have already been distributed, are available at the following addresses:

<<http://treaties.un.org/doc/Treaties/2010/11/20101127%2002-08%20PM/XXVII-8-b-Corr-Original.pdf>>; <http://treaties.un.org/doc/Treaties/2010/12/20101215%2005-26%20PM/Ch_27_8_c.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specific treaty by a named representative. Such full powers should be issued and signed by one of the above-mentioned authorities.

Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity wishing to sign the Nagoya Protocol or/and the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety wishing to sign the Supplementary Protocol are invited to contact the Treaty Section and, where applicable, to provide copies of the required full powers in advance, but *not later than Wednesday, 4 May 2011*, to the Treaty Section for review (contact: Ms. Muriel Djella Ogandaga (e-mail ogandaga@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9820; fax 1 (212) 963-3693); or Ms. Sagine Damas (e-mail damas@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693)).

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The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of April 2011 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

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